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1. The airfield was west of the Iobruisk (29°13'W/53°8'N)-Minsk (27°34'E/53°54'N) road, about 60 km from Minsk, **Belorussian SSR**. It was surrounded by an open area. The field extended more than 1 km along the road. A concrete or asphalt strip, more than 1 km long, and very wide, extended along the landing field. A small building with a wind sock was on the northern edge of the field. No hangars were seen. *
2. Fifteen five-story barracks buildings, each about 40 meters long, were east of the road. Some of them were occupied by civilians.
3. The following aircraft were in the parking site on the edge of the field:
Fighters, similar to Me-109, low-wing monoplanes with in-line engines, retractable landing gears and painted blue-green.
Twin-engine low-wing monoplanes with in-line engines, single rudder assemblies, plexiglass cockpits, tail wheels. Eight to ten gun barrels, 40 cm long and of about 37 mm caliber, were fitted in a semicircle and projected beyond the front section of the cockpits (**sic.**).
Twin-engine semi-high-wing monoplanes with in-line engines, double rudder assemblies, noticeably long plexiglass cockpits, nose wheels, but no rear gunner's stations. The hatch was between the landing gear on the under side of the fuselage. More than 100 planes of this type were at the field.
4. Individual fighters took off.

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* Comment. This is the first postwar report on the airfield west of Minsk, which is possibly the Pulkhovichi field.

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